

KELLAR MAY BE TOOL OF WHITE SLAVE BOSS

Man Who Girl Wife Put Behind Bars to be Arraigned in Federal Court at McAlester Monday.

TRIED TO BREAK JAIL HERE

After Attempt to Get Away Fails Prisoner Was Transferred to Prison in Muskogee.

The case of Earl J. Kellar, the man whom local officers believe to be guilty of violating the Mann act, was before the grand jury at McAlester Monday afternoon, June 22, according to an announcement of J. H. Wilkins, United States commissioner. Since Kellar attempted to break jail here late last week he has been confined at the federal jail in Muskogee. It is probable that if indicted he will not be brought to trial until the term of the grand jury at Ardmore in October.

Kellar is the man arrested here some time ago and charged with white slavery on the strength of evidence furnished by his girl wife who stated he brought her into Oklahoma from Texas before they were married and forced her into a life of shame in various cities of the south-west.

Kellar put up a weak defense at his preliminary trial before Judge Wilkins last Thursday at which Edna, his 16-year-old wife, was the principal state's witness. At conclusion of the preliminary he was held in default of \$1,500 bond.

Subpoenas for witnesses at the arraignment in McAlester have already arrived here. While Kellar is awaiting trial officers in San Antonio are gathering further evidence which may connect him with a gang of white-slavery operators. He is said to be a white-slavery operative in the employ of Mabel McCraw, head of the police, of a veritable army of white slavers operating throughout the south.

CITY CLUB TO DISCUSS WATER BONDS SATURDAY

The proposed bond issue for Spavinaw water is the subject of a debate that will be the feature of the program for the Saturday luncheon meeting of the City club at the Hotel Tulsa. John B. Woodward, a prominent attorney of the Exchange Trust company, will show why the city should vote the bonds for good water and A. J. Biddleman will urge the defeat of the bonds.

CHAMPION TYPIST WRITES 159 WORDS IN MINUTE

America's champion typist, William F. Oswald, spent yesterday in Tulsa, giving demonstrations of speed typewriting at various schools and offices. In a demonstration at the Tulsa business college Oswald wrote 159 words in a minute without errors. In winning the championship he averaged 143 words a minute for an hour. He is traveling for the educational department of the Underwood Typewriter company and left last night for Muskogee.

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Diggs Distorts Tax Facts in Juggling Figures

"The fixed annual charges will amount to \$450,000 regardless of other fixed charges, and the per capita contribution would be \$8.33 for every man, woman and child in Tulsa. It is now estimated that 10,000 persons living in Tulsa pay no taxes, and if that be true it would make the per capita tax \$125 for every tax-paying citizen in the city."

Opinion by the eminent James B. Diggs, prominent attorney, allied with the Spavinaw project, in the fight on the bonds. Opinion reported in the burning page again.

The above is a sample of the misleading lying distorted facts being circulated by the supporters of the bond issue. To state Mr. Diggs has been the mainstay in the opposition to the bonds. Mr. Diggs speaks at great length at the Spavinaw meetings and takes time between meetings to render various opinions regarding the bonds. He is quoted at great length daily in the two Tulsa papers.

Examining Mr. Diggs' statement, quoted here from the burning page of Tuesday. It says that every man, woman and child in Tulsa is taxed \$8.33 a year for the water under the Spavinaw project. There are at least 60,000 persons in Tulsa today. This is the most conservative estimate. There are probably 70,000 persons here today. But take the lowest figure and let it be 60,000 population.

Examine His Figures. If every man, woman and child in Tulsa is taxed \$8.33 a year what would this amount to annually on a basis of 60,000 population? It will be \$4,980,000 a year. In 25 years that is allowed for recouping the bonds, according to the eminent Mr. Diggs, figures the citizens of Tulsa would pay \$124,700,000. But Diggs says only \$450,000 is needed.

Even this gross exaggeration does not exhaust the eminent Mr. Diggs. He says there are probably 10,000 persons here who do not pay taxes and that the per capita tax would amount to \$125 per capita per annum on the remaining 50,000 who pay taxes.

This would amount to \$6,250,000 yearly that the eminent Mr. Diggs contends would be necessary to carry out the Spavinaw project. But he said only \$450,000 is needed yearly.

In the first opinion by Mr. Diggs the tax on the citizens as a whole will be \$4,980,000. In the second opinion, limiting it to the taxpayers and leaving out the 10,000 non-taxpayers, it will amount to \$6,250,000.

This is a mere difference of \$1,270,000 according to Mr. Diggs. The fact appears from the eminent Mr. Diggs' reasoning that it will be cheaper for the city to assume the tax on all the citizens and not on the present tax payers.

only. In this way the city would save \$1,270,000 a year. This is a clear logical reasoning. Such is the reasoning and the practical business sense of the Spavinaw project and the mind of the eminent Mr. Diggs.

The Real Facts. The real fact is that a 9.16 mill tax will cover the total yearly cost of the Spavinaw project the first year, without any credit from payees in plumbing, bottled water, etc.

The decrease in interest charges from year to year will reduce this figure yearly. On a property assessed at \$2,000 and worth probably twice that figure, the 9 mill tax would amount to only about \$18 a year under the present valuation of \$20,000,000. The 1915 valuation is going to be at least \$60,000,000 and that will decrease the tax rate to a point where the 9 mill tax to cover the water bonds sinking fund and interest added to the reduced 1915 tax rate, will be less than the present tax rate of 42.4 mills.

Figure it out yourself. The increase in valuation will be more than 30 per cent. The amount of revenue to be raised will not increase in anything like this proportion. To get this slightly increased revenue needed the tax rate must necessarily be lower than at present. If the tax rate were to remain in effect the revenue would be far in excess of the budget.

The present revenue from a valuation of \$20,000,000 at the rate of taxation of 42.4 mills is \$8,480,000. The revenue from a \$60,000,000 valuation at the same tax rate of 42.4 mills would be \$25,440,000 or much more than the city will need. Therefore to get a slight increase in the present revenue, disregarding the bond issue, the tax rate must be reduced.

The excess of \$2,660,000 over \$1,400,000 is \$1,260,000, or more than 50 per cent of the revenue under a valuation of \$20,000,000 at the present tax rate. Say that the tax rate will be reduced only 20 per cent. It will be reduced more, but use a conservative figure to allow for slight increase in expenditure exclusive of the

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bond issue. Then the 9.16 mill tax to cover the water project will be more than counteracted, for it adds less than 20 per cent to a tax rate that is certain to be reduced at least 25 per cent.

That is why with a valuation of \$60,000,000 for 1915, as compared with the 1915 valuation of \$20,000,000, the tax rate will be no higher than it is today and the bond issue will be provided for.

Mr. Diggs is the gentleman who is said to have discovered that 2,000 acres have been tied up in the Spavinaw district by Tulsa citizens who are going to sell it to the city for prices from \$100 to \$1,000 an acre. One of the gentlemen who is in on this alleged deal is Mr. Diggs' information source. He inadvertently confided in Mr. Diggs.

Mr. Diggs says he knows who the men are. It wouldn't be right to say that Mr. Diggs is falsifying or prevaricating, or lying about this. He is just a glib talker who doesn't know what he is talking about. (Note his tax figures.)

If he can prove this assertion, as a citizen it is his duty to expose the men in on the deal. He has no right to keep their names secret. He can distort figures to show "taxes" but he has no right to let any other set of gentlemen, regardless of the fact that they may be his friends, buy up land in the Spavinaw district to hold up the city for the reservoir site.

The fact is Mr. Diggs will not expose these gentlemen. They do not exist. Mr. Diggs' information is of the same reliability as his tax figures. As a detective and a ferret-out of dark schemes he

is in the same class as a tax expert. He doesn't know what he is talking about.

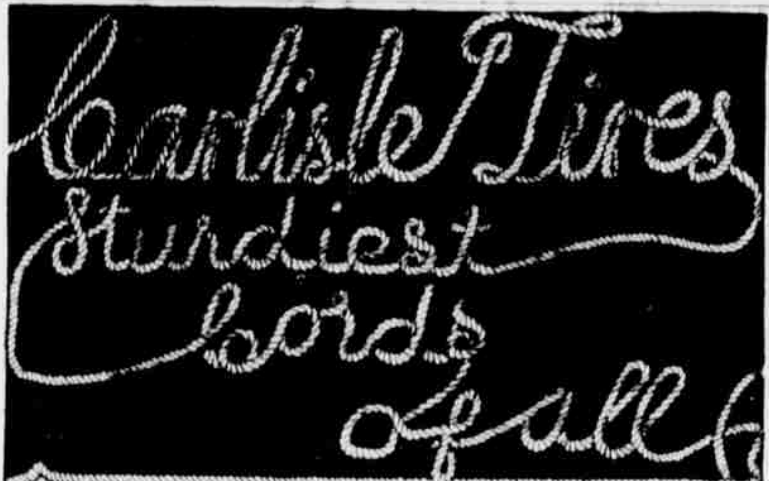
COURT ORDERS JURY TO FREE ALLEGED THIEF

Under court instructions, a jury in district court returned a verdict of not guilty in the case of the state of Oklahoma against Albert Haycroft, charged with the larceny of an automobile in the city February 6. Judge Redmond H. Cole stated to the jury that as a matter of law, the testimony submitted by the state could not be used against the defendant.

William Swaggart, the principal state's witness, testified that he had stolen the car and that Haycroft, with the witness and two other persons had taken the car to Shawnee where they were arrested.

Since the only material testimony was that offered by Swaggart, Judge Cole cited to the jury the law of Oklahoma, which says that the testimony of an accomplice is not to be considered unless corroborated by other persons. Upon this ground the jury returned a verdict as requested by the court.

The Liberty cafe uses 26 bottles of water a day. This is 7,300 bottles a year and costs the restaurant owner \$900 a year. Do you suppose the owner's taxes amount to anything like this figure? He is paying \$900 a year because the city doesn't have good water and yet a few men want to make him continue paying this excess tax on the grounds that taxes are going to be increased.



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